When do I need to have a compliant leaf blower?

On MAY 3, 2021 these regulations will go into effect and you will need to use a compliant blower.

How do you check my existing leaf blower for compliance?

Check your leaf blower to see if there is a dB(A) certification sticker or find the model number. Use model number to search online for a manufactures listing on the leaf blower or the manual for the dB(A) rating. If this rating is over 70 dB(A) a new leaf blower will be required.

Which leaf blower should I purchase?

Many manufactures make leaf blowers that comply with these requirements, and there are several home improvement stores, online stores and garden centers in the area that can help you find one. When making your selection, you should also consider the size of the lot, whether you prefer gas, cordless and rechargeable, and whether it is for professional or home use.



Example of sticker on equipment

What are the leaf blower regulations?

A leaf blower that is 70 dB(A) or lower can be utilized during non-residential quiet hours which are: Monday – Friday: 7:00 P.M. – 7:00 A.M., Saturday: 5:00 P.M. – 12:00 P.M. and Sunday: 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 a.m. Any leaf blower that is certified at 58 dB(A) or lower can be utilized during Residential Quiet Hours.



Example of manufacturer's specifications

Where can I find out more information on this new changes?

Residents can visit www.westutx.gov/Noise for more information. To review the City's Noise Ordinance, please visit Chapter 54, Article II Noise.

For all other questions, contact Clay Chew, Chief Building Official via phone at 713.662.5830 or by email.